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OCTOBER

"Oh, God!"
George Burns



Highlights

for October



\$1,000,000 DUCK

Delightfully daffy, live action Disney romp with a duck that lays golden eggs. See page 15.



ROBIN WILLIAMS

HBO showcases 1978's new comedy star. Don't miss this "off the wall" comic. See page 18.



OH, GOD!

John Denver meets George Burns as a wisecracking Almighty, complete with cigar. See page 7.



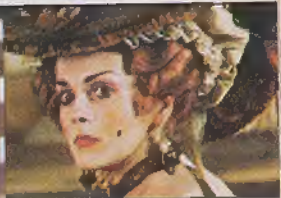
PAUL AND HIS LADIES

Paul Williams, Melissa Manchester and Diannah Carroll. See page 11.



THE GAUNTLET

Clint Eastwood as a loser cop set up as a patsy in an action-packed crime drama. See page 4.



JOSEPH ANDREWS

Bawdy adventure with Ann-Margret as a very wicked, very funny Lady Booby. See page 6.

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FIRST LOVE

A sensitive college athlete finds being in love is quite different from just making love. See page 19.

A MAN CALLED HORSE

A Western that's different, focusing on American Indian life as it really was. See page 10.

THE RETURN OF A MAN CALLED HORSE

The new adventures of the courageous Englishman with the soul of a Sioux. See page 10.

BEST OF THE CHIPPERFIELD CIRCUS

The biggest, oldest, most famous British family circus. See page 7.

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INSIDE THE NFL

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BARBARELLA

Jane Fonda at her seductive best hurries through outer space in an intergalactic fantasy. See page 11.



ROLLING THUNDER

An embittered loner reenters civilian life after eight years in a Viet Cong prison. See page 14.



UPCLOSE

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TELEFON

Charles Bronson is back—as a spy trying to stop a Stalinist from upsetting DeSteno. See page 19.



WORLD SERIES SPECIALS

Two great HBO sports exclusives recap the best of baseball, including the '77 series. See page 9.



HALLOWEEN HORROR SHOW

Four spine-chillers to keep you in on trick-or-treat night! See page 20.



THE OTHER SIDE OF MIDNIGHT

A romantic melodrama of passion and power. See page 15.

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FIRE SALE

Funny men Alan Arkin, Rob Reiner and Sid Caesar in a crazy, outrageous comedy. See page 16.

McQ

John Wayne, as a no-nonsense modern detective, cleans up police corruption. See page 20.

BLACK OAK CONSPIRACY

The man who crossed the *Macon County Line* battles dishonesty and corruption. See page 8.

BOXING BEHIND BARS

Light heavyweight James Scott has a 13-0 record all from inside Rahway State Prison where he faces Eddie Gregory. See page 16.

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The Gauntlet Clint Eastwood

Clint Eastwood, as a police officer, battles the odds in a crime drama loaded with action. Eastwood and Sondra Locke fight terror from fire, bullets, helicopters and motor cycle gangs. Watch for the final shoot-out! "Sondra Locke, the most natural, unaffected performance of the year." (*Village Voice*) *Nudity, physical violence and profanity.* (R-1:51) **October 1, 5, 9, 13, 17, 21, 24**



George Carlin Again!

On Location brings back comedian George Carlin for another hilarious—and uncensored—show. Nothing escapes him—the sights, sounds, faces and dialects of modern life. *Strong language.* **Oct. 4, 8**



Whiffs

Elliott Gould in the most hilarious military farce since *M*A*S*H*! Elliott's a human guinea pig for the Army—until he sniffs too many weirdo chemicals. *Adult humor.* (PG-1:32) **Oct. 4, 7, 20**

Smokey and the Bandit

All-action comedy as Burt Reynolds races beer across state lines, romances Sally Field and dodges "Smokey" Jackie Gleason. *Language.* (PG-1:40) **Oct. 2, 6**

The Domino Principle

Convicted killer Gene Hackman is caught in a web of suspense as mysterious forces trap him and Candice Bergen. *Language, some brutality.* (R-1:40) **Oct. 2, 7, 10**

Two Mules for Sister Sara

Western adventure with a casting coup: rough, tough gunslinger Clint Eastwood runs into whiskey-swilling "nun," Shirley MacLaine, south of the border in old Mexico. *Mild violence and language.* (PG-1:45) **Oct. 5**

Sunday October 1

2:30 MYRON COHEN REVISITED
HBO favorite returns. p.21
3:30 SORCERER
Adventure tale (PG-2:02) p.9
5:30 A PIECE OF THE ACTION
Bill Cosby (PG-2:15) p.8
8:00 THE GAUNTLET
Clint Eastwood on a death-defying trek from Las Vegas to Phoenix (R-1:51) p.4
10:00 SORCERER
Roy Scheider (PG-2:02) p.9
12:00 RUBY
Piper Laurie (R-1:25) p.8

Monday October 2

5:00 A SPECIAL DAY
Sophia Loren and Marcello Mastroianni as two lonely people (Dubbed-PG-1:50) p.9
7:00 I NEVER PROMISED YOU A ROSE GARDEN
Bibi Andersson as psychiatrist in mental ward (R-1:32) p.17
8:30 SMOKEY AND THE BANDIT
Burt Reynolds and some CB fun (PG-1:40) p.4
10:30 THE DOMINO PRINCIPLE
Political thriller starring Gene Hackman (R-1:40) p.4

Tuesday October 3

5:00 MARCH OR DIE
Catherine Deneuve and Max Von Sydow (PG-1:47) p.5
7:00 "SEPTEMBER 30, 1955"
Death of James Dean shatters life of college student Richard Thomas (PG-1:41) p.13
9:00 TOM AND TINA
Standing Room Only presents high energy rock. p.13
10:30 MARCH OR DIE
French Foreign Legion action starring Terence Hill and Gene Hackman (PG-1:47) p.5

Wednesday October 4

5:30 WHIFFS
Elliott Gould in Army fun (PG-1:32) p.5
7:00 NEIL DIAMOND: LOVE AT THE GREEK
Award-winning composer/performer in concert. p.17
8:00 A PIECE OF THE ACTION
Fast-paced and filled with surprises. Music by Curtis Mayfield (PG-2:15) p.8
10:30 GEORGE CARLIN AGAIN!
On Location presents this unique entertainer. p.5

Thursday October 5

5:00 TWO MULES FOR SISTER SARA
Gold-hungry mercenary meets nun on the lam (PG-1:45) p.5
7:00 INSIDE THE NFL
All the big plays of last week—and a look at this week. p.13
8:00 THE GAUNTLET
Clint Eastwood directs and stars (R-1:51) p.4
10:00 SORCERER
Roy Scheider has to haul dangerous nitro over treacherous jungle roads in South America (PG-2:02) p.9

March or Die

Tough Gene Hackman is an embittered American who joins the famous French Foreign Legion for action in North Africa during the hey-day of the fighting force. Big in scope, this desert melodrama's cast includes Catherine Deneuve, Terence Hill and Max Von Sydow. Beautiful photography. With stirring music by Maurice Jarre. *Violence.* (PG-1:47) **October 3**



Joseph Andrews

**Ann-Margret
Peter Firth**

An innocent country lad rises from servant's quarters to dallying in the bedrooms of 18th century English nobility. Ann-Margret is hilarious as the beautiful Lady Booby—trying to conceal her own humble origins. Peter Firth, Oscar nominee for *Equus*, co-stars. From Tony Richardson, director of *Tom Jones*. "Funny, stylish, infinitely cheerful." (*The New York Times*) *Nudity and bawdy humor.* (R-1:43) Oct. 6, 9, 19, 25, 28

"Oh, God!"

**George Burns
John Denver**

George Burns plays a benign, non-denominational Almighty in Carl Reiner's really offbeat comedy—a joy from start to finish! John Denver is a supermarket assistant manager who finds he's a suburban Moses to whom God entrusts a message of hope. Teri Garr is John's perplexed wife. "A nice movie about nice people made in the image of a very nice Jehovah." (*Time*) *Some adult humor.* (PG-1:44) October 8, 12, 16, 20, 25, 28



**Friday
October 6**

4:00 SMOKEY AND THE BANDIT

Jackie Gleason hot on the tail of Bun Reynolds (PG-1:40) p.5
6:00 INSIDE THE NFL
 Repeat of yesterday's show—with all the big plays. p.13
7:00 JOSEPH ANDREWS
 Ann-Margret in rowdy tale of merry old England (R-1:43) p.6
9:00 RUBY
 Story of possession (R-1:25) p.8
10:30 TOM AND TINA
 S.R.O. Super combination. p.13
12:00 JOSEPH ANDREWS
 Tony Richardson (*Tom Jones*) directs (R-1:43) p.6

**Saturday
October 7**

2:30 WHIFFS

Gas of a comedy (PG-1:32) p.5
4:00 INSIDE THE NFL
 Repeat of Thursday show. p.13
5:00 A SMALL TOWN IN TEXAS
 Susan George (PG-1:36) p.13
7:00 BEST OF CHIPPERFIELD CIRCUS
 England's family circus. p.7
8:30 BLACK OAK CONSPIRACY
 Jesse Vint (R-1:34) p.8
10:30 I NEVER PROMISED YOU A ROSE GARDEN
 Kathleen Quinlan (R-1:32) p.17
12:00 DOMINO PRINCIPLE
 Candice Bergen (R-1:40) p.4

**Sunday
October 8**

1:00 DAY FOR NIGHT

Oscar winner with Jacqueline Bisset (Dubbed-PG-1:54) p.17
3:00 NEIL DIAMOND
 Neil talks and sings. p.17
4:00 "SEPTEMBER 30, 1955"
 Susan Tyrrell (PG-1:41) p.13
6:00 NEIL DIAMOND
 Great concert from L.A. p.17
7:00 OH, GOD!
 George Burns, John Denver in heavenly comedy (PG-1:44) p.7
9:00 WORLD SERIES SPECTACULAR
 Stars from past Series. p.9
10:00 "SEPTEMBER 30, 1955"
 Fateful day (PG-1:41) p.13
12:00 GEORGE CARLIN p.5

Best of the Chipperfield Circus

Robert Morley Host

Another first for HBO! Robert Morley is ringmaster for this delightful family entertainment. The finest of England's family-run circuses for over seven generations, the Chipperfield's are joined by circus stars from all over Europe. Animal trainer Mary Chipperfield, plus clowns, knife-throwers, trapeze artists and more. Oct. 7, 11, 15, 20, 24, 30





Black Oak Conspiracy

Jesse Vint, the man who crossed the *Macon County Line*, is back as a Hollywood stuntman who visits his ailing mother and uncovers a sinister scheme. Beaten, shot, framed for murder, still nothing can stop the hard-driving Jinggo Johnson. "Made with intelligence and concern." (*L.A. Times*) *Profanity, nudity*. (R-1:34) Oct. 7, 13, 23, 26, 28

Ruby

Piper Laurie is frightening as the tough manager of a strange drive-in theatre. Spooky characters include a possessed girl. *Violence, gore*. (R-1:25) October 1, 6, 11

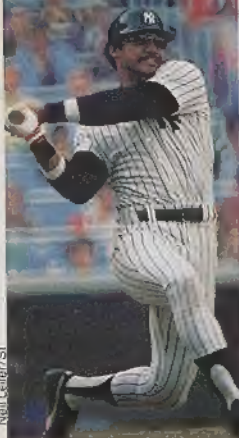
A Piece of the Action

Great comedy pair Sidney Poitier and Bill Cosby are a couple of likable crooks who master the rip-off—and some town problems. *Language*. (PG-2:15) Oct. 1, 4, 9, 17

World Series Spectacular:

75 Years of Epic Baseball

Each World Series revives memories, but HBO will go one better by showing past highlights. You will see the slugging of Reggie Jackson (he hit four straight homers last year). Babe Ruth (did he "call" his shot?). Stan Musial and others. On the mound will be fireballer Sandy Koufax and Don Larsen, who hurled a perfect game. October 8, 10, 12



World Series Scouting Report

What's the best way to pitch to the heavy hitters on the two World Series teams? Who's the toughest out in the clutch? And who'd know the answers better than other ball players like Baltimore's Jim Palmer and Cincinnati's Tom Seaver. It all adds up to an intriguing analysis of the World Series lineups by big leaguers who have faced them for years. October 9, 10

A Special Day

It's really a special day when lovely Sophia Loren and Marcello Mastroianni meet in Rome. This film made its way on to many 1977 "Ten Best" lists. *Adult situations*. (Dubbed-PG-1:50) October 2, 11

Monday October 9

4:30 **A PIECE OF THE ACTION**
James Earl Jones (PG-2:15) p.8
7:00 **WORLD SERIES SCOUTING REPORT**
Analysis of the two pennant winners by major league players themselves. p.9
7:30 **JOSEPH ANDREWS**
Innocent young man in bawdy old England (R-1:43) p.6
9:30 **THE GAUNTLET**
Sondra Locke (R-1:48) p.4
11:30 **JOSEPH ANDREWS**
Hugh Griffith as lecherous squire (R-1:43) p.6

Tuesday October 10

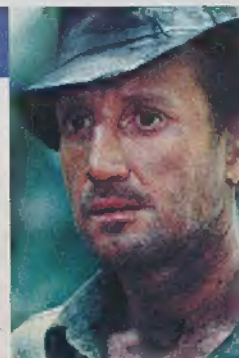
5:30 **WORLD SERIES SPECTACULAR**
World Series heroes like DiMaggio, Musial and Koufax. p.9
6:30 **WORLD SERIES SCOUTING REPORT**
Two series teams analyzed by top major leaguers. p.9
7:00 **MYRON COHEN REVISITED**
Soft-spoken hilarity. p.21
8:00 **DOMINO PRINCIPLE**
Richard Widmark (R-1:40) p.4
10:00 **W.W. & THE DIXIE DANCE KINGS**
Art Carney (PG-1:34) p.21

Wednesday October 11

5:00 **SORCERER**
Four strangers trapped together in a South American backwater (PG-2:02) p.9
7:00 **BEST OF THE CHIPPERFIELD CIRCUS**
Elephants, zebras, clowns, bears and death-defying acts on the trapeze. p.7
8:30 **RUBY**
Stuart Whitman (R-1:25) p.8
10:00 **A SPECIAL DAY**
Two lonely people—Loren and Mastroianni—find each other (Dubbed-PG-1:50) p.9

Thursday October 12

5:00 **"SEPTEMBER 30, 1955"**
Susan Tyrrell (PG-1:41) p.13
7:00 **INSIDE THE NFL**
This week's look at last week's pro action. p.13
8:00 **OH, GOD!**
John Denver (PG-1:44) p.7
10:00 **WORLD SERIES SPECTACULAR**
Great moments—like Don Larsen's perfect game. Great players—like Lou Gehrig. p.9
11:00 **I NEVER PROMISED YOU A ROSE GARDEN**
Teenager in nightmare world of mental hospital (R-1:32) p.17



Sorcerer

Roy Scheider is one of four desperate men, outlaws thrown together by fate and hired for an "impossible" job. As they find themselves hauling nitro over treacherous jungle roads in South America, they risk the only thing they have left to lose. The vivid, suspenseful melodrama was directed by William Friedkin (*The French Connection*). *Bloody violence*. (PG-2:02) Oct. 1, 5, 11, 14

Saturday Night Double Feature



A Man Called Horse

In this story of the first white man captured by the Sioux, American Indians speak their own language and are treated as people alive and heroic, not as war-painted savages. Richard Harris stars as the English captive. "Highly original." (*Saturday Review*) *Graphic torture scenes.* (PG-1:54) **October 14, 18, 22, 27**

The Return of a Man Called Horse

Richard Harris comes back to the land of the Sioux in another exciting action-adventure every bit as powerful as the original. Oscar winner Gale Sondergaard plays the Elk Woman, a pivotal role. "An offbeat tale . . . deeply evocative and even downright mystical." (*Christian Science Monitor*) *Strong violence.* (PG-2:09) **October 14, 17, 22, 30**

Paul and His Ladies

Paul Williams
Melissa Manchester
Diahann Carroll

Truly a man for all seasons, Paul Williams is a musician, performer and, by his own admission, ladies' man extraordinaire. Here, then is Paul with two wonderful ladies of song, Melissa Manchester, songwriter herself (*Midnight Blue*), with a marvelous funky sound that's strictly 1978. And Diahann Carroll—sophisticated chanteuse, actress and Broadway star. A great evening of music and laughter. **Oct. 15, 19, 23, 28**



**Friday
October 13**

5:00 NEIL DIAMOND

One of today's most popular singers at his best. p.17

6:00 INSIDE THE NFL

Repeat of yesterday's program. p.18

7:00 BARBARELLA

Jane Fonda stars as sexy space age adventures (PG-1:38) p.11

9:00 NEIL DIAMOND

Great music. p.17

10:00 THE GAUNTLET

Clint Eastwood as modern lawman (R-1:48) p.4

12:00 BLACK OAK

CONSPIRACY
Seymour Cassel (R-1:34) p.8

**Saturday
October 14**

2:30 SORCERER

Roy Scheider (PG-2:02) p.9

4:30 INSIDE THE NFL

Repeat of Thursday show. p.13

5:30 TOM AND TINA

SRO. Two dynamic stars. p.13

7:00 A MAN CALLED HORSE

Richard Harris in western from the Indians' point of view (PG-1:54) p.10

9:00 RETURN OF A

MAN CALLED HORSE

Richard Harris, Gale Sondergaard in exciting sequel. (PG-2:09) p.10

11:30 DAY FOR NIGHT

Jacqueline Bisset in French fun (Dubbed-PG-1:54) p.17

**Sunday
October 15**

1:00 THE LION IN WINTER

Kate Hepburn (PG-2:14) p.17

3:30 CHIPPERFIELD CIRCUS

Robert Morley hosts. p.7

5:00 W. W. AND THE

DIXIE DANCEKINGS

Burt Reynolds (PG-1:34) p.21

7:00 PAUL AND

HIS LADIES

Standing Room Only. Great singing threesome: Paul Williams, Melissa Manchester and Diahann Carroll. p.11

9:30 THE LION IN WINTER

Peter O'Toole (PG-2:14) p.17

11:00 I NEVER PROMISED

YOU A ROSE GARDEN
From bestseller (R-1:32) p.17



BARBARELLA QUEEN OF THE GALAXY

Star Wars and *Close Encounters* fans as well as Jane Fonda's myriad admirers will enjoy the supersonic spoof of a lady astronaut's 40,000 A.D. mission—to bring a renegade inventor back to Earth. Roger Vadim's imaginative, immensely entertaining film is already a cult favorite. Watch for Jane's free floating strip! "Funny, swinging, sexy comic strip of a movie." (*Cue*) *Adult language, sexual references, brief nudity.* (PG-1:38) **Oct. 13, 16, 22, 30**



Diane Keaton

Woody Allen

John Travolta

Olivia Newton-John

UpClose

David Sheehan Host

Premiere of a new HBO multi-part series! David Sheehan, TV critic and commentator, blends interviews and film clips for a fascinating look at the real person behind the superstar personality. Tonight see scenes from *Grease*, *Annie Hall* and *Saturday Night Fever*, Olivia Newton-John making a new album: Diane Keaton backstage the night she won her Oscar. Plus an update on the entertainment world. And lots more! **Oct. 16, 20, 26, 29**



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Inside the NFL

Highlights of each previous week's NFL games. Len Dawson and Merle Harmon show who won and how. And tell you how to win two tickets to the Superbowl. **Oct. 5, 6, 7; 12, 13, 14; 19, 20, 21; 26, 27, 28**

A Small Town in Texas

High-octane action as untamed ex-con Timothy Bottoms heads home to reclaim girl friend Susan George. Motorcycle and train chases, 17 smashed up patrol cars. *Violence, language.* (PG-1:36) **Oct. 7, 16, 27**

Standing Room Only:

Tom Jones and Tina Turner

The king and queen of erotica rock! Suave, sexy Tom Jones, a legend in his own time, and Tina Turner, with her revival meeting approach to life, love and music—together for the first time on *SRU*. **Oct. 3, 6, 14, 16, 21**

Monday
October 16

5:00 A SMALL TOWN IN TEXAS

Timothy Bottoms returns to town after being railroaded to prison (PG-1:36) p. 13

7:00 TOM AND TINA

SRO. Suave Tom and sexy Tina. p. 13

8:30 BARBARELLA

Imaginative tale with Jane Fonda as swinger of the far future (PG-1:38) p. 11

10:30 OH, GOD!

George Burns is hilarious on the errors of Creation. John Denver co-stars (PG-1:44) p. 7

Tuesday
October 17

4:30 A PIECE OF THE ACTION

Bill Cosby, Sidney Poitier and some great fun (PG-2:15) p. 8

7:00 RETURN OF A MAN CALLED HORSE

An English Lord (Richard Harris) and his Sioux blood brothers (PG-2:09) p. 10

9:30 NEIL DIAMOND

Neil sings and comments on his life and music. p. 17

10:30 THE GAUNTLET

Clint Eastwood battles a crooked world (R-1:48) p. 4

Wednesday
October 18

5:00 A MAN CALLED HORSE

English nobleman captured by Sioux Indians (PG-1:54) p. 10

7:00 UPCLOSE

Premiere of new series giving close up look at superstars. This show: John Travolta, Olivia Newton-John, Diane Keaton and Woody Allen. p. 12

8:00 W.W. AND THE DIXIE DANCEKINGS

Art Carney (PG-1:34) p. 21

10:00 THE LION IN WINTER

Kate Hepburn (PG-2:14) p. 17

Thursday
October 19

5:00 DAY FOR NIGHT

François Truffaut's funny, Oscar-winning look at moviemaking (Dubbed-PG-1:54) p. 17

7:00 INSIDE THE NFL

An expert look at last weekend's best plays. p. 13

8:00 PAUL AND HIS LADIES

Standing Room Only. Paul Williams ("Evergreen") p. 11

9:30 JOSEPH ANDREWS

Ann-Margret (R-1:43) p. 6

11:30 DAY FOR NIGHT

Touching story with Jacqueline Bisset (Dubbed-PG-1:54) p. 17



"September 30, 1955"

It was September 30, 1955, when James Dean, headed for super-stardom, was killed in a car crash. His untimely death shattered an entire generation, including Jimmy J., a college undergraduate in a small Arkansas town. Richard Thomas gives a sensitive performance. Susan Tyrrell and Thomas Hulce are in strong support. *Adult language.* (PG-1:41) **Oct. 3, 8, 12, 21**



Rolling Thunder

Extremely tense and hard-hitting action melodrama of a Vietnam veteran who leaves all emotion behind him in a Viet Cong prison camp—and seeks the killers of his wife and son. William Devane (*Family Plot*) is highly believable as the returning POW aided by his war buddy, Tommy Lee Jones (*Eyes of Laura Mars*). Co-authored by talented Paul Schrader who wrote *Taxi Driver* and directed *Blue Collar*. "An excellent cast performs well." (*Variety*) *Brutality, physical torture, profanity.* (R-1:39) **October 20, 23, 29**



The Other Side of Midnight

A dramatic tale of love, revenge and power based on the spectacular bestseller by Sidney Sheldon. This lavish film takes us to Greece, Paris, Washington and Hollywood. Marie-France Pisier (*Cousin, Cousine*), John Beck and Susan Sarandon (*Pretty Baby*) co-star. "Plenty of drama, sex, glamorous settings, expensive costumes." (*Film Information*) *Some nudity, adult theme, strong sexual content.* (R-2:45) **October 22, 26**

Friday
October 20

Saturday
October 21

Sunday
October 22

4:30 BEST OF THE CHIPPERFIELD CIRCUS

Great family entertainment. p.7

6:00 INSIDE THE NFL

Repeat of Thursday show. p.13

7:00 ROLLING THUNDER

Vivid portrayal by William Devane of a Vietnam POW's traumatic reentry into American life. (R-1:39) p.14

9:00 UPCLOSE

Inside look at John Travolta and Diane Keaton. p.12

10:00 OH, GOD!

Oh, God, is it funny! John Denver stars (PG-1:44) p.7

12:00 WHIFFS

Eddie Albert (PG-1:32) p.5

2:00 THE LION IN WINTER

Battle of sexes (PG-2:14) p.17

4:30 INSIDE THE NFL

Repeat of Thursday show. p.13

5:30 TOM AND TINA

Standing Room Only. p.13

7:00 \$1,000,000 DUCK

Sandy Dennis in Walt Disney fun (G-1:32) p.15

8:30 FIRE SALE

Alan Arkin, Rob Reiner in outrageous comedy (PG-1:28) p.16

10:00 THE GAUNTLET

Great escapes in vans, trains and cars (R-1:48) p.4

12:00 "SEPTEMBER 30, 1955"

Tender story (PG-1:41) p.13

1:30 A MAN CALLED HORSE

Great western (PG-1:54) p.10

3:30 RETURN OF A MAN CALLED HORSE

Richard Harris (PG-2:09) p.10

6:00 MYRON COHEN REVISITED

On Location. New act. p.21

7:00 THE OTHER SIDE OF MIDNIGHT

Based on Sidney Sheldon's bestseller about grand passions on a grand scale (R-2:45) p.15

10:00 BARBARELLA

David Hemmings in witty sci-fi (PG-1:38) p.11

12:00 MYRON COHEN p.21



Can an average American family find happiness with a pet duck that lays eggs with yolks of solid gold? Charly is a feathery science-research washout who takes to laying the strange eggs. Pert, sweet and lovable Sandy Duncan, hubby Dean Jones and son Lee Montgomery—who just wanted a pup—are the center of pandemonium when the secret gets out. (Preceded by a Disney cartoon.) "*Million-Dollar Duck* is worth it." (*Daily News, N.Y.*) (G-1:32) **October 21, 25, 29**

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Fire Sale

The Fikus family's not roasted, not salted—they're just plain nuts. It's one great crazy quilt as a domineering father finds his sons don't measure up. Alan Arkin stars in this nuttiness. He's in great comic company with Rob Reiner and Sid Caesar. "Kooky and zany" (*Boxoffice*) *Adult language and humor.* (PG-1:28) **Oct. 21,24,29**

HBO Sports Event: BOXING BEHIND BARS

James Scott is a lightweight with a knockout punch and a 13-0 record. What makes him even more distinctive is that all his bouts have been at Rahway (N. J.) State Prison, where he is serving time for parole violation. Facing Scott at Rahway will be Eddie Gregory (28-3 with 22 KOs), who last November almost dethroned champion Victor Galindez. The bout is fully sanctioned and could help earn a title shot for the winner. **Oct. 24**



The Lion in Winter

Katharine Hepburn won an Oscar for her luminous performance. Kate and dashing Peter O'Toole, as King Henry II, play for power, politics—and even love. *Adult language.* (PG-2:14) **Oct. 15,18,21**



Day for Night

French director François Truffaut's light-hearted tribute to movie-making won an Oscar for Best Foreign Language Film. Jacqueline Bisset stars. *Adult situations.* (Dubbed-PG-1:54) **Oct. 8,14,19,25,29**

I Never Promised You a Rose Garden

Exciting Kathleen Quinlan is staggering as a teenage schizophrenic wrestling with personal agonies in a mental hospital. *Nudity, language.* (R-1:32) **Oct. 2,7,12,15,24**

Monday October 23

4:00 W.W. & THE DIXIE DANCEKINGS
Burt Reynolds cons his way across the South (PG-1:34) p.21
6:00 NEIL DIAMOND
Neil sings some of his great hits and talks about himself. p.17
7:00 ROLLING THUNDER
Chilling portrait of returning Vietnam POW (R-1:39) p.14
9:00 BLACK OAK CONSPIRACY
Story of revenge (R-1:34) p.8
10:35 PAUL AND HIS LADIES
The ladies: Diahann Carroll and Melissa Manchester. p.11

Tuesday October 24

5:30 BEST OF THE CHIPPERFIELD CIRCUS
Robert Morley at England's finest family circus. p.7
7:00 FIRE SALE
Sid Caesar in wild mix of slapstick and farce (PG-1:28) p.16
8:30 BOXING BEHIND BARS
Light Heavyweight Fight: Eddie Gregory vs. James Scott. (tape) p.16
9:30 I NEVER PROMISED YOU A ROSE GARDEN
Bibi Andersson (R-1:32) p.17
11:00 THE GAUNTLET
Clint Eastwood (R-1:51) p.4

Wednesday October 25

5:00 OH, GOD!
George Burns in the title role. Singing star John Denver co-stars (PG-1:44) p.7
7:00 \$1,000,000 DUCK
Joe Flynn (*McHale's Navy*) as a snoopy, sneaking neighbor (G-1:32) p.15
8:30 DAY FOR NIGHT
Jean-Pierre Léaud, Jacqueline Bisset and Jean-Pierre Aumont (Dubbed-PG-1:54) p.17
10:30 JOSEPH ANDREWS
Virtuous lad (Peter Firth) beset by lustful ladies (R-1:43) p.6

Thursday October 26

5:00 MYRON COHEN REVISITED
HBO favorite returns. p.21
6:00 UP CLOSE
Close up of Woody Allen. p.12
7:00 INSIDE THE NFL
An in-depth look at last week's football action. p.13
8:00 THE OTHER SIDE OF MIDNIGHT
Marie-France Pisier (*Cousin, Cousine*) (R-2:45) p.15
11:00 BLACK OAK CONSPIRACY
Leaving town was easy, coming home was murder! (R-1:34) p.8



Neil Diamond Love at the Greek

One of the most popular international superstars at his very best—during his triumphant engagement at Los Angeles' Greek Theatre. Here's another look at a very special "special"—Neil's first for American television exactly as he performed it, but now uninterrupted by commercial breaks. **October 4,8,13,17,23**



On Location: Robin Williams (Off the wall!)

Just as HBO first brought you Steve Martin in 1976, we now showcase 1978's new comedy star! Since you first saw Robin Williams on HBO's *Second Annual Young Comedians* of 1977, he's become so popular, a show of his own was the only logical step. Meet this manic, diverse, hilarious comic. A recent guest shot on *Happy Days* inspired ABC to build the new *Mork* and *Mindy* series around him. Don't miss Robin Williams—an authentic "off the wall" character. Oct. 27, 30

Telefon Charles Bronson

Charles Bronson is Russia's top agent out to stop a demented Stalinist intent on ruining Detente. Aristocratic beauty Lee Remick is Bronson's American liaison. It's the most explosive film of recent years with the CIA and KGB pitted against each other in a scheme that could trigger 50 human time bombs! *Telefon* moves fast—with Bronson in the kind of action his fans love. Don Siegel (*Dirty Harry*) directs. "A thriller with meritment." (*Boxoffice*) *Bloody violence, adult language.* (PG-1:43) October 29



Friday October 27

4:00 **A MAN CALLED HORSE**
Indian tale (PG-1:54) p.10
6:00 **INSIDE THE NFL**
Repeat of Thursday show. p.13
7:00 **ROBIN WILLIAMS (OFF THE WALL!)**
On Location. He's manic, diverse and hilarious. p.18
8:30 **A SMALL TOWN IN TEXAS**
Susan George and Timothy Bottoms (PG-1:36) p.13
10:30 **A MAN CALLED HORSE**
Richard Harris (PG-1:54) p.10
12:30 **ROBIN WILLIAMS**
On Location. p.18

Saturday October 28

2:30 **OH, GOD!**
Carl Reiner (*Where's Poppa?*) directs (PG-1:44) p.7
4:30 **INSIDE THE NFL**
Repeat of Thursday show. p.13
5:30 **PAUL AND HIS LADIES SRO.** Paul Williams. p.11
7:00 **MCQ**
John Wayne in Seattle police story (PG-1:56) p.20
9:00 **FIRST LOVE**
William Katt (*Carrie*) and Susan Dey co-star (R-1:32) p.19
10:30 **JOSEPH ANDREWS**
Peter Firth stars (R-1:43) p.6
12:15 **BLACK OAK CONSPIRACY**
Nifty chases (R-1:34) p.8

Sunday October 29

1:30 **\$1,000,000 DUCK**
Sandy Duncan (G-1:32) p.15
3:00 **FIRE SALE**
Rob Reiner (PG-1:28) p.16
4:30 **\$1,000,000 DUCK**
Just ducky (G-1:32) p.15
6:00 **UPCLOSE**
David Sheehan hosts. p.12
7:00 **TELEFON**
Charles Bronson in explosive thriller (PG-1:43) p.19
9:00 **UPCLOSE**
A look at Woody Allen. p.12
10:00 **ROLLING THUNDER**
Tommy Lee Jones (R-1:39) p.14
12:00 **DAY FOR NIGHT**
François Truffaut's Oscar winner (Dubbed-PG-1:54) p.17



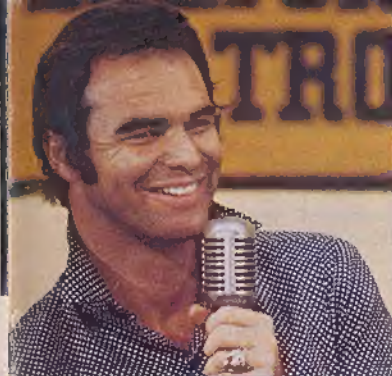
First Love

William Katt and Susan Dey find it's hard to establish a real relationship in today's casual morality. Katt is the exciting discovery who electrified audiences in *Carrie*. Susan Dey is Caroline. The bitter-sweet, touching film achieves believability from their open and attractive performances. "A mature picture." (*Hollywood Reporter*) *Nudity, frank sexual language and activity.* (R-1:32) October 28



McQ John Wayne

Superstar John Wayne is out of the saddle and into the 20th century as a modern lawman unearthing departmental corruption in a blood-and-guts action drama. Plenty of twists, turns and ironies of plot as Duke races around a big city in a green Hornet and takes the law into his own hands. Broadway's Colleen Dewhurst brilliant as a world-weary B-girl. "Wayne handles a gun as expertly as he ever did as a cowboy." (*After Dark*) *Profanity, gunplay.* (PG-1:56) **October 28**



Burt Reynolds **W.W. and the Dixie Dancekings**

Burt Reynolds is a classic con artist who drives a '55 Olds, loves bubble gum and fried chicken—and robs filling stations with a unique Robin Hood approach. *Language.* (PG-1:34) **Oct. 10, 15, 18, 23**



On Location: **Myron Cohen Revisited**

All America loves Myron Cohen! Now one of the smoothest tale spinners of our day. Eyes twinkle, his lips grin slyly and the kindly Jewish "uncle" talks of crazy Irish cops or bored Italian wives. **Oct. 1, 10, 22, 26**

Monday
October 30

Tuesday
October 31

4:30 RETURN OF A MAN CALLED HORSE
Visually stunning story of Englishman who joins Sioux tribe (PG-2:09) p.10
7:00 ROBIN WILLIAMS (OFF THE WALL)

On Location. Hilarious star of "Mork & Mindy" p.18

8:30 BARBARELLA
Jane Fonda overcomes laws of gravity (PG-1:38) p.11

10:30 BEST OF THE CHIPPERFIELD CIRCUS
Clowns, knife-throwers, acrobats and tigers. p.7

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5:00 DAY OF THE ANIMALS
Forest-full of terror as animals turn on humans (PG-1:37) p.20
7:00 ISLAND OF DR. MOREAU

Burt Lancaster in intriguing sci-fi (PG-1:44) p.20

9:00 HOMEBODIES
Funny story of six old folks who stop at *nothing* to keep their home (PG-1:36) p.21

10:45 EMPIRE OF THE ANTS
Giant insects on the prowl! Joan Collins (PG-1:31) p.21

Halloween

Turn out the lights! Turn on the TV! It's wall-to-wall chills—with *four* great goose pimplers!

DAY OF THE ANIMALS reveals a forest-full of horror as vengeance-bent creatures hunt down that most elusive quarry: man. (PG-*Violence*)

ISLAND OF DR. MOREAU, from H.G. Wells, finds Burt Lancaster creating half-human, half-animal monsters. (PG-*Violence*)



Horror Show

HOMEBODIES mixes horror with humor in a bizarre yet heart-warming story of six oldsters fighting the system in their own murderous way. (PG-*Violence*)

EMPIRE OF THE ANTS unleashes hungry arachnids the size of giraffes who have a picnic munching on Joan Collins' Everglades clients. (PG-*Violence*)

Maybe keep one light on after all! **Oct. 31**

HBO Soundtrack

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Friday, November 3

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November 1 to 5

Wednesday, Nov. 1

5:30 PAUL AND HIS LADIES
Standing Room Only p.11
7:00 McQ p.20
9:00 THE OTHER SIDE
OF MIDNIGHT p.15
11:45 FIRE SALE p.16

Thursday, Nov. 2

5:00 OH, GOD! p.7
7:00 INSIDE THE NFL
8:00 TELEFON p.19
10:00 OH, GOD! p.7

Friday, Nov. 3

4:30 \$1,000,000 DUCK p.15
6:00 INSIDE THE NFL
7:00 SEA Gypsies
Family adventure (G-1:41)
9:00 SUGAR RAY
LEONARD BOXING
10:00 FIRST LOVE p.19
11:30 RETURN OF MAN
CALLED HORSE p.19

Saturday, Nov. 4

2:30 OLD YELLER (1:23)
4:00 INSIDE THE NFL
5:00 SPECIAL DELIVERY
Bo Svenson (PG-1:39)
7:00 OLD YELLER
Disney adventure (1:23)
8:30 TAKE A HARD RIDE
Jim Brown (PG-1:43)
10:30 ROBIN WILLIAMS
On Location p.18
12:00 ROLLING THUNDER
William Devane (R-1:39) p.14

Sunday, Nov. 5

2:00 PAUL AND HIS LADIES
Standing Room Only p.11
3:30 McQ p.20
5:30 VICTOR BARGE:
COMEDY WITH MUSIC
Standing Room Only (1:15)
7:00 THE BETSY
Laurence Olivier (R-2:05)
9:30 FIRE SALE p.16
11:00 THE BETSY (R-2:05)

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